State of California **Environment Protection Agency** AIR RESOURCES BOARD

Notice of Decision

Project Title:

Amendments to the Regulations for Gasoline and Diesel Fuel Test

Methods (SCH# 2012121012)

Project Location:

Statewide

Public Meeting Date: January 25, 2013; Agenda Item No. 13-2-3

Project Description:

The amendments will better enable ARB and stakeholders to adequately measure the chemical properties of CARFG and denatured ethanol to determine their compliance with ARB's fuel regulations. In addition, updates to the more recent versions of the test methods will correct errors, provide additional information, and streamline test procedures. The amendments include the following changes:

- New test method for MTBE and other prohibited oxygenates
- New test methods for denatured ethanol
- Updates to existing test methods
- Removal of obsolete test method for sulfur in California gasoline

Approved By:

Air Resources Board

Executive Order R-13-006 Dated: November 4, 2013

This notice is to advise that ARB, as the lead agency, has adopted the above described regulatory action on November 4, 2013 and has determined that the regulatory action will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment (see attached Executive Order R-13-006).

In accordance with CEQA and ARB's certified regulatory program, ARB prepared an environmental analysis as part of the Staff Report: Initial Statement of Reasons for Proposed Rulemaking (Staff Report) entitled "Amendments to the Regulations for Gasoline and Diesel Fuel Test Methods".

The Staff Report identified no significant adverse environmental effects resulting from these amendments, and no comments were received identifying any significant environmental issues pertaining to this item.

No mitigation measures, findings, or statement of overriding considerations were adopted for this regulatory action because the regulation will not result in any significant adverse impacts on the environment.

The copy of the environmental analysis included in the Staff Report and the Final Statement of Reasons are available at the ARB rulemaking webpage at:

http://www.arb.ca.gov/regact/2013/diesel2013/diesel2013.htm

These rulemaking documents may also be examined at:

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Attachments:

• Executive Order R-13-006